

AN ORDINANCE

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AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND CHAPTER 150, ARTICLE IV, DIVISION 3, SECTIONS 150-132 AND 150-133 SO AS TO PROVIDE FOR MAXIMUM HOURS OF ENFORCEMENT OF PARKING METERS; TO PROVIDE FOR NOTICE PRIOR TO THE INSTALLATION AND OPERATION OF NEW PARKING METERS; TO CLARIFY OVERTIME PARKING METER ENFORCEMENT; TO REQUIRE IDENTIFICATION OF ADDITIONAL LOCATIONS FOR PLACEMENT OF METERS; TO REPEAL CONFLICTING ORDINANCES; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

WHEREAS, the City of Atlanta ("City") manages vehicular parking in certain areas of the right-of-way through marked and metered spaces; and

WHEREAS, on-street parking is a critical component of an urban municipality's transportation policies; and

WHEREAS, on-street parking allows multiple users to reach multiple destinations while creating a buffer between moving motor vehicles and pedestrians; and

WHEREAS, on-street parking can improve traffic circulation and economic viability of urban commercial areas by providing short-term parking for dining, shopping, or transaction of business; and

WHEREAS, the City has sought to gain further efficiency in the management of on-street parking by entering into FC-4877 Parking Management Services with Professional Account Management, LLC, a Duncan Solutions company, d/b/a PARKAtlanta ("PARKAtlanta") on September 24, 2009; and

WHEREAS, the Council has engaged citizens, businesses and the Department of Public Works in exploring solutions to the various enforcement issues that have arisen during the early stages of implementation of PARKAtlanta's contract management services; and

WHEREAS, the City wishes to implement certain changes to facilitate the efficient operation of off-street parking to benefit residents, visitors, business owners, tourists, and patrons of commercial establishments.

THEREFORE, THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ATLANTA, GEORGIA HEREBY ORDAINS AS FOLLOWS:

SECTION ONE: That Chapter 150, Article IV, Division 3, Section 150-132, which currently reads as follows:

Section 150-132 - Parking time limits; fees

(a) The period of time of parking in areas designated as parking meter zones shall be registered by parking meters, and the charges which are reasonably necessary to defray the expenses incident thereto for this parking shall be as set out in subsection (b) of this section.

(b) Such meters shall provide for maximum time limits as indicated on each meter where the maximum time limit at parking meters shall be determined by department of public works. The fee in each instance shall be at the rate of \$1.00 per half an hour of time allowed.

(c) Vehicles which have purchased a currently valid truck loading zone/parking meter pass pursuant to Atlanta City Code Section 150-111(c) shall be permitted to park at all parking meter spaces in the City of Atlanta without charge for a period not to exceed the maximum time limit indicated on each meter or 30 minutes, whichever is more.

be amended to add the following paragraphs (d) and (e):

(d) Notwithstanding the foregoing, metered parking shall be enforced only between the hours of _____ a.m. to _____ p.m. Monday - Saturday.

(e) Prior to the installation of parking meters for any on-street parking where no such metered parking currently exists, the Department of Public Works, or any parking management service, shall post signs at intervals of no fewer than every _____ feet, advising the public of the change, for no fewer than _____ calendar days before the new parking meters are enforced.

SECTION TWO: That Chapter 150, Article IV, Division 3, Section 150-133 which currently reads as follows:

Section 150-133 - Overtime parking.

No person shall park any motor vehicle in any area where a parking meter is installed for a longer period of time than the maximum time indicated for the area by an appropriate sign.

be deleted in its entirety and the following inserted in lieu thereof:

Section 150-133 - Overtime parking.

It shall be a violation of this code section to park any motor vehicle at any single parking meter for a period of time longer than the maximum time indicated, notwithstanding repeated payment of parking meter rates.

SECTION THREE: The Commissioner of Public Works is hereby authorized and directed to identify no later than August 1, 2010 a minimum of 2500 locations appropriate and feasible for metered parking in addition to the 2500 spaces currently in existence in the City.

SECTION FOUR: All ordinances or parts of ordinances in conflict herewith are hereby repealed.